DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. ICR-99-17]

Derricks (Inspection Certification Records) and Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of an Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirement

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA); Labor.

ACTION: Notice of an opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: OSHA solicits comments concerning the proposed decrease in, and extension of, the information collection requirements (inspection certification records) contained in the standard on Derricks (29 CFR 1910.181).

Request for Comment: The Agency seeks comments on the following issues:

- Whether the information collection requirements are necessary for the proper performance of the Agency's functions, including whether the information is useful;
- The accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden (time and costs) of the information collection requirements, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- The quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden on employers who must comply; for example, by using automated, electronic, mechanical, and other technological information and transmission collection techniques.

DATES: Submit written comments on or before October 18, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Docket Office, Docket No. ICR–99–17, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N–2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693–2350. Commenters may transmit written comments of 10 pages or less in length by facsimile to (202) 693–1648.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Theda Kenney, Directorate of Safety Standards Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N–3605, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693–2222. A copy of the Agency's Information Collection Request (ICR) supporting the need for the information collection requirements in 29 CFR 1910.181 (inspection certification records) is available for inspection and

copying in the Docket Office, or mailed on request by telephoning Theda Kenney at (202) 693–2222 or Barbara Bielaski at (202) 693–2444. For electronic copies of the ICR, contact OSHA on the Internet at http:// www.osha.gov/comp-links.html, and click on "Information Collection Requests."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA-95) (44 U.S.C 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the desired format, reporting burden (time and costs) is minimal, collection instruments are clearly understood, and OSHA's estimate of the information collection burden is correct.

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the Act) authorizes information collection by employers are necessary or appropriate for enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents. (29 U.S.C. 657). The major purpose of the information collection requirements in 29 CFR 1910.181 are to provide information for properly maintaining derricks and, therefore, to ensure safe operating conditions for employees. Specifically, employers must establish certification records to demonstrate that derrick inspections comply with the requirements specified in the standard. Failure of the employer to collect and distribute the information collected under the requirements contained in the standard will affect significantly OSHA's effort to control and reduce injuries and fatalities in the workplace.

II. Proposed Actions

OSHA proposes to decrease its earlier estimate of 28,508 burden hours for the information collection requirements in 29 CFR 1910.181 (g)(1) and (g)(3) to 28,500 burden hours.

OSHA will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice, and will include this summary in the request to OMB to extend the approval of the information collection requirements contained in the above provisions.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved information collection requirement.

Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Derricks (Inspection Certifications) (29 CFR 1910.181 (g)(1) and (g)(3)).

OMB Number: 1218-0222.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit; Federal government; state, local or tribal government.

Number of Respondents: 10,000. Frequency: Monthly; semi-annually. Average Time per Response: 15 minutes (0.25 hour).

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 28,500.

III. Authority and Signature

Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506), Secretary of Labor's Order No. 6–96 (62 FR 111), and 29 CFR part 1911.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 12th day of August 1999.

Charles N. Jeffress,

Assistant Secretary of Labor. [FR Doc. 99–21431 Filed 8–17–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4510–26–M

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. STN 50-456 and STN 50-457]

Commonwealth Edison Company; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of amendments to Facility Operating Licenses Nos. NPF– 72 and NPF–77, issued to the Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd, the licensee), for Braidwood Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, respectively, located in Will County, Illinois.

The proposed amendments would temporarily change the Technical Specifications (TS) to increase the upper temperature limit for the Ultimate Heat Sink (UHS) from 98 degrees Fahrenheit to 100 degrees Fahrenheit. The proposed temporary change would be in effect until September 30, 1999.

Prolonged hot weather has resulted in sustained, elevated UHS temperatures at Braidwood Station. Continued hot weather may result in the UHS